GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA

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SMUGGLING OF NARCOTICS BY PAKISTAN
B.K. PARTHASARATHI

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Pakistan has been reportedly pushing new kinds of narcotics into Jammu and Kashmir to fund cross border terrorists; and

(b) if so, the action taken to stop spreading the menace of such drugs in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI GINGEE N. RAMACHANDRAN)

(a) : Sir, the Government has not received any such report about new kinds of narcotics. However, seizure of opium, heroin and hashish has been made in Jammu & Kashmir.

(b) : Government has adopted a multi-pronged strategy, which includes gearing up of the intelligence machinery, modernization and upgradation of enforcement agencies, border fencing, intensified border patrolling etc.